



2004 AgriMissouri™ Chef

Recipe Contest

Entry Form

Contestant Name _____

Title _____

Name of Business _____

Business Address _____

City/State/Zip Code _____

Telephone (_____) _____

Email address _____

Check one:

_____ Appetizer _____ Entree _____ Dessert _____ Side Dish _____ Breakfast _____ Other

Name of Recipe _____

List Missouri ingredients: _____

* If processed foods or wines are used as an ingredient, please list brand names.

Applications must be postmarked no later than **July 15, 2004** to: Missouri Department of Agriculture, Attn: AgriMissouri™ Chef Contest, P.O. Box 630, Jefferson City, MO 65102, FAX (573) 522-2416

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2004 AgriMissouri™ Excellence

Chef Contest Rules & Regulations

How to Enter

- Using the entry form provided, enclose a typed recipe name and list ingredients. Use additional pages if needed.
- All recipes entries must be original and require the use of at least one product grown, raised or processed in Missouri.
- Contestants must submit their name, e-mail address (if applicable), restaurant address, and daytime phone number on the form provided.
- Contestants must select one of the categories to enter their recipe. The Missouri Department of Agriculture and Missouri Restaurant Association reserve the right to move entries to a different category.
- There is no limit on the number of entries per person, but each entry must be on a separate form.

Eligibility

- Contest is open to professional chefs, sous chefs, and lead line cooks at Missouri restaurants, retailers, caterers and institutions who are age 18 years and older.
- Employees of the Missouri Department of Agriculture and Missouri Restaurant Association are ineligible.
- By participating, entrants (a) agree to these official rules and the decisions of the judges and sponsors, both of which will be final and binding, and (b) agree to release and to hold the Missouri Department of Agriculture and Missouri Restaurant Association, their advertising and promotional agencies, and their respective directors, officers, and employees harmless against any and all claims, liability and damages arising out of their participation and the acceptance and use of prize.

Timing

- Contest begins on May 15th, 2004 and ends on July 15th, 2004. All entries must be postmarked no later than 5 p.m. (CST) July 15, 2004. Missouri Department of Agriculture and Missouri Restaurant Association are not responsible for lost, misdirected, or incomplete entries.
- Finalists will be notified via telephone about their finalist status.
- A chef cook-off will occur between August 5th and September 1st, 2004 at the facility of the entrants. Exact date and time will be coordinated at the time of announcement of finalist status.
- Number of finalists is based on number of entries.



Prizes

- The Grand Prize winner will receive the 2004 AgriMissouri Chef Contest Gold Level Medal along with \$1,500 cash. The second place winner will receive a Silver Level Medal along with \$1,000 cash, and the third place winner will receive a Bronze Level Medal along with \$500 cash! The finalists will be featured on the AgriMissouri website, with features on the top three award winners.

Prize Conditions

- All federal, state, and local taxes on the prize values and expenses related to the acceptance and use of prizes are the sole responsibility of winners. Entering the contest will constitute as an affidavit regarding compliance with contest rules, originality, a release of liability, an agreement relating to publication rights and a publicity release. Any entrant who does not sign for any reason will be disqualified and his or her prize will be forfeited and may be awarded to a substitute winner. The names of the finalists will be posted on the Missouri Department of Agriculture web site, subject to change if any winner fails to provide satisfactory documentation as set forth above in this paragraph.

Panel of Judges

The following will serve on the panel of judges:

- Missouri Department of Agriculture representative or representatives
- Missouri Restaurant Association representative or representatives
- Members of the Advisory Commission on the Marketing of Missouri Agricultural Products.

The sponsors reserve the right to omit or add to the panel of judges without notification to contestants.

Winner Selection Criteria

- Entries will be judged on the basis of flavor, originality, creativity, color, texture, and plate presentation. A Missouri wine recommendation is encouraged but not required.
- The decision of the judges is final.
- All entries are the property of the Missouri Department of Agriculture and none will be returned.
- The sponsors reserve the right to use entries, names, photographs, and recipes for publicity purposes.
- The sponsors, the judging committee, and their employees, agents, and assigns are released from any claim or liability of any nature whatsoever arising out of the selection, judging, and awards process. In the event of a tie, the earliest postmark will determine the winner.
- All finalists must be willing to provide a facility and an accommodating date and time for judges to taste, and observe originality, creativity, color, texture, and plate presentation. Dates and times are based on availability of judges.
- Finalists will need to provide a typed listing of ingredients and instructions at the time of the on-site judging.

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